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AMENDMENT B

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Official Action mailed January 2, 2003.

A Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time accompanies this Amendment.

Please amend the Application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 7 and 8, beginning at page 7, line 24, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Such characteristics lead to the following: part of the content of precious V can be replaced with at least one member selected from Mo and W which are each potentially capable of forming a BCC structure together with Ti and Cr in the same manner as V, thereby enabling not only the cost to be relatively low but also a decrease in hydrogen storage capacity per unit weight, brought about by the incorporation of Mo or W, to be limited to a relatively minor one, with the result that the hydrogen storage metal alloys can be produced which come to an

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